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1. A new Soviet security mission, headed by General A N Makaroy arrived in Prague on 1 Oct 53. The mission will supervise the work of the Czechoslovak Ministry of the Interior, which was united with the Ministry of National Security under the direction of Rudolf Barak on 11 Sep 53.
2. The former Soviet security mission, headed by General Svetlay, was purged of 80% of its personnel after Beria's arrest, and finally disbanded.
3. New Soviet security missions are being sent to the other satellite states as well, following changes that occurred in the Soviet Ministry of the Interior under Kruglov. All the members of former Soviet security missions have been recalled with the exception of a few members of the mission to Hungary.
4. Widespread changes in the ministries of the interior in Poland, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Bulgaria and Rumania have been ordered as of 1 Oct 53. The ministries in question are being deprived of competence in the direction of regional and local councils and such competence is transferred to the office of the Presidium in each case. The ministries of the interior, in which Soviet security missions are incorporated, will have charge only of directing the civil and political police.

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